

CHESTNUTHILL TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
ROUTE 715, BRODHEADSVILLE, PA 18322
MINUTES OF MEETING – NOVEMBER 16, 2004

A regular meeting of the Chestnuthill Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 16, 2004, at the Municipal Building, Rte 715, Brodheadsville. Those present were Chuck Gould (Chairman), Maureen Tatu (Vice-Chair) Supervisor Leigh Kane and Atty. Joseph P. McDonald, Jr.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Al Bourke.

Executive Session. None.

Unit Care Agreement. None.

Public Comment.

Butch Wojy. Asked for an update on the water issues in Weir Creek Estates. Joe Weston said he was out there but the water level was down therefore he could not tell. The next significant rain Joe will be back out there to check.

Al Bourke. On the Romascavage property there seems to be a lot of dumping. People are taking advantage of it. I want to make the Board aware of this problem.

****Minutes.** On motion made by Leigh, seconded by Maureen it was voted to approve the minutes of the October 19 meeting with the noted correction, page 2 under Roadmaster “Update on Fire Company Meeting” the Engineer named should have been Paul Manchello instead of Chris McDermott. (3-0)

On motion made by Leigh, seconded by Maureen it was voted to approve the minutes of the October 25 meeting as distributed. (2-0) Chuck abstained as he was absent for that meeting.

On motion made by Maureen, seconded by Leigh it was voted to approve the minutes of the November 3 meeting as distributed. (3-0)

On motion made by Leigh, seconded by Maureen it was voted to approve the minutes of the November 8 meeting as distributed. (3-0)

Correspondence.

Council of Governments. (COG) Minutes are available for all to read.

Monroe County Control Center. Minutes are available for all to read.

Monroe County Tax Claim Bureau. Repository bid request on property #02/15/2/40-149 Lot 919 in Sun Valley. This is the fourth request. On motion made by Chuck, seconded by Maureen it was voted to table this request. (3-0)

Pocono Mountain Vacation Bureau. Is holding a meeting on November 17 at 7:00 p.m. at the Monroe County Control Center.

Reappointment to Planning Commission. Larry Smith has expressed interest in being re-appointed to the Planning Commission for another term.

Memo from Joe McDonald. Keystone Auto Sales. The agreements should be put in place prior to any permits being issued. When we grant approval especially with conditions, we should send a follow up letter listing all the conditions and distribute to the staff members as well.

Roadmaster.

Joe Weston gave a report of the work that is currently being done.

1. 95% done with the shoulder work after paving.
2. Installing road pipes.
3. Trucks are ready for snow removal.
4. RMDN and Blue Ridge Drive in Sierra View will be closed for 2 days to fix the sinkhole.
5. HRG Engineer price for the traffic study on RMDN & RMDS in Sierra View is \$5000.00.
6. Completing the work at the Transfer Station.
7. FEMA conference call with Cathy re: Hurricane Ivan.
8. Requesting 4 hrs of overtime for each man to complete the repair of the sinkhole. On motion made by Maureen, seconded by Leigh it was voted to approve this overtime request. (3-0)
9. New Truck F-550 is between \$52,000.00-\$58,000.00. It is on the PACC contract. On motion made by Chuck, seconded by Maureen it was voted to allow Joe and Cathy to pursue the details further and get exact pricing back to the Board on the PACC contract. (3-0)

New Business.

M/M Stevenson. The Zoning Officers are requesting help from the Board concerning M/M Stevenson, who were issued violations, taken to the Magistrate and had a lien put on their property. Still to date no clean up has been initiated. Atty. McDonald said the Board can file a petition to seek injunctive relief and a court order would mandate the clean up. On motion made by Chuck, seconded by Leigh it was voted to direct Atty. McDonald to start procedures to seek injunctive relief and any other remedies he may see fit. (3-0)

Planning Director.

Master Site Plan. Our share of the Master site plan on the Romascavage property is \$15,367.00. We would like to budget it in 2005. On motion made by Leigh, seconded by Maureen it was voted to approve this request. (3-0)

Carson Helfrich- Contract Proposal. This proposal is for the update of the transfer of development rights section of the Township Zoning Ordinance. The estimated cost will be in the range of \$3500.00 to \$4100.00, but not to exceed \$4100.00. On motion made by Leigh, seconded by Maureen it was voted to hire Carson not to exceed \$4100.00. Atty. McDonald recommends a time frame be inserted into the contract. (3-0)

Circuit Rider. Our contribution to hire a recreation director is \$19,559.14 for the 1st year. On motion made by Leigh, seconded by Maureen it was voted to approve \$19,559.14 towards the circuit rider program. (3-0)

Old Business.

Hutchinson Property. This property is on McKinley Circle and Rte 115. It is a great site for a future ambulance building. The option/closing expires on 11/30/04. On motion made by Maureen, seconded by Leigh it was voted to exercise the option at \$17,500.00. (3-0) on motion made by Chuck, seconded by Leigh it was voted to authorize Cathy A. Baker to attend the closing and sign all documents. (3-0)

Save A Dog Property. This property is located on Rte 115 across from Anna's Chocolate Factory. On motion made by Chuck, seconded by Leigh it was voted to table this until December 7th meeting. (3-0)

Building Code-Board of Appeals. The Board is not ready to act on this yet, therefore, on motion made by Chuck, seconded by Leigh it was voted to table this issue. (3-0)

Resolution-Designation of Agent for Hurricane Ivan. This is to designate a contact person for FEMA to be in touch with for reimbursement of Hurricane Ivan damage. On motion made by Leigh, second by Maureen it was voted to approve and sign resolution 04-20. (3-0)

Bills. On motion made by Maureen, seconded by Leigh it was voted to pay the General, State and Bond fund bills. (3-0)

West End Advance Life Support. This is an agreement with the Township and WE Advance Life Support and WE Ambulance to be named as the primary service providers in the Township. Atty. McDonald reviewed the agreement and suggested one additional paragraph be added. On motion made by Chuck, seconded by Maureen it was voted to sign this agreement with the additional paragraph included allowing for a default provision that the Township could void the contract if the default is not corrected. (3-0)

Plans.

DeFluri, Rose Marie (Minor Subdivision) Effort Associates, Inc. In for final approval. Everything is in order, all requirements have been met, and the Planning Commission approved and recommended the same to the Supervisors. On motion made by Maureen, seconded by Leigh it was voted to approve and sign this plan. (3-0)

Adjournment. There being no further business, on motion made by Leigh, seconded by Maureen it was voted to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. (3-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy A. Baker
Recording Secretary